

21227. AMYGDALUS DAVIDIANA.**Peach.**

From Tientsin, China. Received through Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer, July, 1907, at the Plant Introduction Garden, Chico, Cal.

"(No. 728a, June 12, 1907.) Seeds to be utilized as a stock for peaches. Thrives well on high, dry soils and is apparently very resistant to disease. Seeds sent in 1905 under No. 9a (S. P. I. No. 18262), from Peking." (*Meyer.*)

21228 to 21230.

From Shanghai, China. Received through Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer, July 19, 1907.

21228. RAPHANUS SATIVUS.**Radish.**

From Peking, China. "(No. 729a, June 3, 1907.) A long red radish; Chinese name *Hong laba*. A very good, large variety of a radish of a very oblong shape and bright red color; quite juicy when eaten fresh. It is eaten stewed, raw, or sliced and pickled; sown as soon as the frost leaves the ground." (*Meyer.*)

21229. BRASSICA PE-TSAL.**Pe-tsai cabbage.**

From Peking, China. "(No. 730a, June 3, 1907.) Chinese name *Pai tsai*. Said to be a late, large, solid-headed, long cabbage of good keeping qualities. It requires, like all the Chinese varieties of cabbage, a light, well-worked soil with abundant moisture." (*Meyer.*)

21230. FOENICULUM DULCE.**Sweet fennel.**

From Peking, China. "(No. 731a, June 3, 1907.) Chinese name *Huin shang tsai*. A very early vegetable grown by the Chinese as a flavoring herb. They use it in soups, in sauces, and with meat and fish; it is very sweet. The seed can be sown on sandy, moist situations as soon as frost leaves the ground; well worth a trial." (*Meyer.*)

21231 to 21234.

From Mongolia. Received through Hon. W. W. Rockhill, United States minister, Peking, China, July 29, 1907, on a memorandum presented by Mr. W. T. Swingle, November 26, 1906.

The following notations as to where the seed was procured were taken from bags and tags that came with the seed:

21231. AVENA SATIVA.**Oats.**

Notation on tag: Oats gathered at Eul-cheu-seu-ts'ing-ti, in the valley of the upper Hoang-ho, two days' journey west of Koei-hoa-t'cheng.

Notation on bag: Oats gathered in the valley of the Yellow River, 260 li west of Blueville (Ville-Bleue).

21232. MEDICAGO SATIVA.**Alfalfa.**

Notation on tag: Lucern with blue flowers from Ning-t'iao-leang; locality four days' journey southeast of Yu-lin-fou.

21233. AVENA SATIVA.**Oats.**

Notation on tag: Oats of Mao-min-ngau. (From a very cold section.)

21234. AVENA SATIVA.**Oats.**

Notation on tag: Oats of Ning-t'iao-leang. (Locality four days' journey southeast of Yu-lin-fou.)

"Since the locality in which we live (Hadjoo, Mao Ming-ngan) is relatively cold, oats are sown here during the first days of May. They take 120 days to mature. When the season is not dry they grow exceedingly well, by preference in soil worked in the spring of the sowing, contrary to wheat, which gives the best yield in soil worked in the autumn